EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chairman of the House Asian and Pacific Affairs Sub-Committee of U.S. Mr. Stephon Solarz discussed with the Indian leaders whether India has violated the human rights in Punjab;

(b) what he had enquiied from the Punjab Government; and

(c) what are the details of his visit in the Golden Temple in Amritsar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : (a) Mr. Solarz discussed the Punjab situation with the Prime Minister but not from the point of view of whether India had viola-lated human rights in Punjab.

(b) Mr. Stephen Solraz was bnefed on the situation in Punjab by the Governor. He enquired mainly about judicial processons.

(c) The delegation was conducted around the Golden Temple by the Chairman, SGPC.

Contract labour with Hindustan Shipyard

900. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether a large number of persons have been engaged as contract labour with Hindustan Shipyard since long;

(b) if so, since when and what is their number; and

(c) whether Government propose to abolish the contract system and make them permanent; if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b) Hindustan Shippyard Limited engages on an average about 450 labour per day, through Labour Societies, to meet their intermittent and sporadic jobs, which are not of a continuous nature. Such labour have been engaged through Socieites since 1971.

(c) The Government of Andhra Pradesh have *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 375 dated 5th June, 1981, prohibited employment of contract labour in the insulation work in ship-building, chipping & painting in Hindustan Shipyard Limited. The above order has not yet come into force, pending disposal by the State Government of a representation made by the Hindustan Shipyard Limited.

सेन्ट्रल बोर्ड आफ सेकेंड्री एजूकेशन द्वारा त्रिभाषा फार्मूला में से संस्कृत को निकाला जाना

901. **श्री अजीत जोगी :** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सेन्ट्रल बोर्ड ऑफ सैकेन्डरी एजूकेशन द्वारा हाल ही में यह फैसला किया गया है कि संस्कृत को त्रिभाषा फार्मूला के अंतर्गत एक भाषा के रूप में मान्यता नहीं दी जायेगी जिसके कारण अधिकांश भाषाओं की जननी "संस्कृत" की शिक्षा देश में स्कूलों से पूर्णतया समाप्त हो जाएगी ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ग) क्या सरकार संस्कृत की शिक्षा को प्रोत्साहित करना आवश्यक नहीं समझती ;

(घ) संस्कृत की शिक्षा की वर्तमान प्रणाली में परिवर्तन किये जाने के क्या आधार हैं ;